**Section 665.610 Eye Examination Requirement**

a) *All children enrolling in kindergarten in a public, private, or parochial school and any student enrolling for the first time in a public, private, or parochial school shall have an eye examination. Each of these children* *shall* *present*  *proof of* *having been examined by a physician* who performs eye examinations *or* an *optometrist within the previous year* (within one year prior to the date of entering school)*, in accordance with* Section 27-8.1(1.10) of the School Code and this Part *before October 15 of the school year.* (Section 27-8.1(1.10) of the School Code)

b) The eye examination requirement does not apply to children enrolling in preschool.

c) The required eye examination shall be completed within one year prior to the first day of the school year in which the child enters kindergarten or the child enters the Illinois school system for the first time, whether in a public, private, or parochial school. For students attending school programs where grade levels are not assigned, eye examinations shall be completed within one year prior to the first day of the school year of the child's first entry into the Illinois school system.

d) *An eye examination shall at a minimum include history, visual acuity, subjective refraction to best visual acuity near and far, internal and external examination, and a glaucoma evaluation, as well as any other tests or observations that in the professional judgment of the doctor are necessary.* (Section 27-8.1(2) of the School Code)

e) In addition to the requirements of subsection (d), optometrists shall include measurements of binocular acuity and ocular motility, and color vision screening in the required eye examination, as required by the Illinois Optometric Practice Act of 1987 [225 ILCS 80].

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